RESTORATION ADVISORY BOARD MEETING

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 20, 2003

CORONADO, CALIFORNIA

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1	ATTENDANCE:
2	John Locke
3	Bob Geilenfeldt
4	Bill Collins
5	Rich Wong
6	Robert Campbell
7	Anita Boyd
8	Foster Marshall
9	Leticia Hernandez
10	Lee Saunders
11	Charles Perry
12	Daniel Cordero
13	Art Van Rooy
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- 2 7:10 P.M.

- 4 MR. LOCKE: I'd like to welcome everybody
- 5 to the 77th RAB meeting for NASNI NAB Coronado
- 6 Restoration Advisory Board.
- 7 We have a very exciting evening. The
- 8 first agenda item is approval of the meeting minutes
- 9 from November 21st.
- Do I have a motion to approve?
- 11 MR. COLLINS: Make a motion to approve the
- 12 minutes.
- 13 MR. GEILENFELDT: Second.
- MR. LOCKE: The meeting minutes are
- 15 approved as written.
- We're going to try tonight to get
- 17 through this by 8:30, hopefully. Our first
- 18 presentation is from Richard Wong. It's for Site 5.
- 19 It's the oxidation update.
- 20 MR. WONG: Thanks for the introduction,
- 21 John.
- 22 As most of you know, we're now
- 23 conducting a removal action at Site 5 to mitigate
- 24 some groundwater that's impacted by chlorinated
- 25 solvents, and I'm going to give you an update on the

- 1 progress of that exciting project and what's next.
- 2 Just for the sake of reference, as
- 3 most of you know, Site 5 is located down in the
- 4 corner of the base near the Pacific Ocean. It's
- 5 also located on the approach to the major runway at
- 6 North Island.
- 7 I'll go through this pretty quickly.
- 8 Most of you have heard this before, but the
- 9 contamination at Site 5 is a result of open pit
- 10 dumping in two former hazardous waste pits in the
- 11 Sherman Road area. It's created a three-acre plume
- 12 of these chlorinated solvents. The geology at the
- 13 site is relatively simple in that the site was
- 14 located in a former embayment that was filled with
- 15 dredge materials, and those materials are sandy and
- 16 that's where the contamination resides.
- 17 Also, it's interesting to note that
- 18 the contamination at the site was degrading
- 19 naturally through a process we call natural
- 20 attenuation, and that's simply just a word or words
- 21 that indicate that there are natural processes going
- 22 on in the subsurface that are reducing the
- 23 contamination on its own. But the bottom line,
- 24 there was a potential that the plume could reach the
- 25 slough which is connected to the ocean.

- 1 Here's just a map showing the
- 2 location of the site at North Island right next to
- 3 the golf course. Sherman Road goes out and
- 4 eventually connects to Ocean Avenue off the screen,
- 5 and these are just the levels of contamination which
- 6 are significant. In the middle of the plume we have
- 7 concentrations greater than 100,000 micrograms per
- 8 liter.
- 9 Now, just to let you know where we're
- 10 at with respect to our full-scale groundwater
- 11 treatment, what we're using is a technology referred
- 12 to as in-situ chemical oxidation, and this treatment
- 13 basically involves the injection of oxidants into
- 14 the subsurface which actually break the chlorinated
- 15 compounds into less harmful compounds. So it's a
- 16 technology that does not require mass transfer or
- 17 disposal of hazardous materials.
- The last time we met I think we had
- 19 given you an update with respect to our first round
- 20 of treatment, and at that time we had reached about
- 21 50 percent reduction in the concentrations across
- 22 the site, so some meaningful destruction there.
- 23 Subsequently, we had a second
- 24 treatment, and much to our surprise, we really
- 25 didn't see that much additional reduction in the

- 1 contamination at the site.
- 2 So based on that information after
- 3 the second treatment, we decided to change the
- 4 oxidant that we were using, which is referred to as
- 5 the Fenton's approach, to an approach that uses
- 6 potassium permanganate. It's also a strong oxidant,
- 7 and it has some benefits that we'll go into later
- 8 why we made the change.
- 9 We conducted a third treatment,
- 10 really it could almost be considered a mini pilot
- 11 test to see how the site would accept the potassium
- 12 permanganate. It would accept these oxidants quite
- 13 readily, so we went and constructed six new
- 14 injection wells to help facilitate the introduction
- 15 of this oxidant into the subsurface, and we just
- 16 completed our fourth and final treatment at the
- 17 site.
- 18 Here's a figure that we have seen
- 19 before. If you remember, we installed a series of
- 20 propagations using that sand and guar approach that
- 21 we talked about in the previous RAB meeting. We
- 22 have about 26 of those. And we also installed six
- 23 new wells located in these three general locations
- 24 around some of the wells that have the highest
- 25 concentrations. We're also focusing in on injecting

- 1 a lot of oxidant in the area of the former hazardous
- 2 waste pit that is really the source area, so we're
- 3 treating that area quite heavily as well.
- 4 And just for reference -- I think
- 5 most of you were here -- but basically the ten wells
- 6 that are illustrated in red, those are the ones that
- 7 we're using to gauge the effectiveness of the
- 8 treatment.
- 9 Some of the differences between the
- 10 two different oxidation approaches that we have used
- 11 at Site 5: The first approach, referred to as the
- 12 Fenton's Reaction, involved the introduction of
- 13 hydrogen peroxide in contact with an iron catalyst.
- 14 It's a very powerful oxidant, one of the most
- 15 powerful that we can create. However, it does
- 16 require a pH adjustment through the introduction of
- 17 acid and may need an iron catalyst. It also
- 18 produces heat, exothermic, and it's a very rapid
- 19 reaction.
- 20 To contrast that with the potassium
- 21 permanganate, it's also a powerful oxidant, not
- 22 nearly as powerful as the Fenton's approach, but it
- 23 has a slower reaction; and because of that slower
- 24 reaction, we can get it and disperse it more readily
- 25 throughout the whole contaminated plume and allow it

- 1 to mitigate the solvents in the subsurface.
- 2 The other thing that we can do,
- 3 because of the slower reaction, we can use the
- 4 approach called recirculation which basically
- 5 involves the minor extraction of water from one well
- 6 and use that water to create the oxidant solution,
- 7 and then re-inject that back into the contaminated
- 8 aquifer.
- 9 Here's just a photograph of the
- 10 potassium permanganate. It's a very fine powdery
- 11 material. This material is mixed with water in a
- 12 mixing bin and then re-injected into the subsurface
- 13 itself.
- MR. LOCKE: Is that a salt?
- MR. WONG: I'm not sure if it's a salt but
- 16 I think it is.
- 17 MR. LOCKE: It is, I'm sure.
- 18 MR. COLLINS: It's a salt.
- 19 MR. WONG: It definitely goes into a salt
- 20 use.
- 21 The other thing I'd like to give you
- 22 an update on is where we're at with respect to
- 23 microbial enrichment culture. I think the last time
- 24 we talked about it, we had made the discovery that
- 25 we had this particular microorganism called

- 1 Dehalococcoides ethenogenes -- and we'll just use
- 2 DHE because I have trouble pronouncing those two
- 3 words -- but this is an interesting microorganism.
- 4 It's the only one that has been shown to be capable
- 5 of fully degrading solvents in the subsurface from
- 6 vinyl chloride into a harmless byproduct, so that
- 7 was an interesting discovery that we made before we
- 8 started the injections.
- 9 We took some samples. We sent those
- 10 to a laboratory with the thought of trying to
- 11 isolate this particular organism for possible
- 12 enrichment scaling up of that, and we're proud to
- 13 announce that that isolation of this particular
- 14 bacteria has been successful.
- So we'll talk to the Navy about
- 16 possible uses of this microorganism, maybe on North
- 17 Island in some other applications, but a very
- 18 exciting discovery, and I think really highlights
- 19 the partnership that we have trying to come up with
- 20 effective solutions to the environment.
- 21 MR. VAN ROOY: To what depth is it
- 22 effective or do you know that yet?
- MR. WONG: Well, you know, this particular
- 24 bacteria is found on many sites, but it's not on
- 25 every chlorinated site. I will have to do a little

- 1 bit of research, but I know that they've found this
- 2 bacteria at sites well in excess of 100 feet.
- 3 Our problem here is only five to
- 4 20 feet. So very, very good potential for a
- 5 potential reuse at Site 5.
- 6 What's next? Like I said, we're
- 7 finishing up the last groundwater treatment. We
- 8 just finished that today.
- 9 We'll conduct post-treatment
- 10 groundwater sampling about a month from now, so that
- 11 will give that a chance to look for any rebound
- 12 conditions following our treatment.
- 13 And then our last task is to summarize
- 14 all the activities that we've performed at Site 5.
- 15 It includes the groundwater treatment as well as the
- 16 excavation work done about a year ago. We'll
- 17 summarize that in a closure report. And our goal
- 18 and our plan is to submit that to the DTSC for their
- 19 review in June of this year.
- 20 That concludes my presentation for
- 21 tonight. Any questions? Thanks.
- MR. LOCKE: I'd like to make a comment
- 23 that this project reduces the amount of trucks going
- 24 through Coronado. We're treating the waste in
- 25 place. So I think we should point that out on other

- 1 projects that we have like Site 4. We have
- 2 mitigated PCB contaminated soils, stockpiled them,
- 3 treated them, and then stockpiled the soil on site.
- 4 All of our projects focus on reducing
- 5 the amount of trucks that are going to go through
- 6 Coronado. I just want to say that for the record
- 7 even if it falls on deaf ears.
- 8 MR. COLLINS: And an observation that goes
- 9 along with this is that the very night that we gave
- 10 the Site 5 presentation, before we started off and
- 11 had our public meeting that night, one of the
- 12 follow-up discussions was Site 10 and the fact that
- 13 there would be trucks and stuff. And one of the
- 14 most vocal people at this last meeting left,
- 15 didn't -- I don't believe he paid attention or he
- 16 went home, one or the other.
- DR. MARSHALL: Who was that?
- 18 MR. COLLINS: Dick Scharff, I believe.
- 19 Otherwise, he could have complained.
- MR. GEILENFELDT: And that's what Foster's
- 21 point was that we've been talking about this for two
- 22 years.
- MR. COLLINS: He could have complained
- 24 over a year ago.
- 25 MR. GEILENFELDT: It's because they don't

- 1 come to the meetings. That's the problem.
- 2 MR. LOCKE: Bill Collins is next with a
- 3 Site 9 update. Another project where we treat on
- 4 site.
- 5 MR. COLLINS: I think everybody knows
- 6 where Site 9 is. It's over on the southwest quarter
- 7 of the island near the weapons pier toward Point
- 8 Loma.
- 9 At Site 9 we've had removal going on
- 10 in one fashion or another since around
- 11 February 1995, whether it was planning or actually
- 12 doing something. And over the years, we've been
- 13 very productive in removing contaminants and
- 14 avoiding hauling stuff off the island to a great
- 15 extent, although there is some waste that has to
- 16 leave every 90 days.
- 17 Out there we are still conducting our
- 18 steam heating exercise of the ground and our free
- 19 product removal through wells, and we're also
- 20 removing soil vapors also through another set of
- 21 wells. And it's working out very fine, and I have a
- 22 handout.
- MR. LOCKE: Is it down to full scale?
- MR. COLLINS: We are close to full scale.
- 25 The problem is we are still working on getting our

- 1 final plans, putting in our trench in the ground for
- 2 discharge to the water to the ground, in an
- 3 infiltration trench. And we're also still doing a
- 4 little pilot study on site for the destruction of
- 5 contaminants that we pull out of the ground. We'll
- 6 pull them out of the water. We'll destroy them, and
- 7 the water goes back in the ground.
- 8 DR. MARSHALL: Question: If Site 5 is
- 9 working pretty good with the potassium permanganate
- 10 and the little Dehalococcoides or whatever it's
- 11 called, why wouldn't Site 9 work that way?
- MR. COLLINS: Well, actually, there's two
- 13 good reasons. Site 9 has so much stuff out here
- 14 that we would probably have to bring it in on huge
- 15 tanker trucks or large ships. Site 9 is very
- 16 contaminated.
- DR. MARSHALL: Okay. But would the stuff
- 18 get rid of it better than --
- 19 MR. COLLINS: It would work. It would be
- 20 very, very expensive. And the Dehalococcoides is at
- 21 Site 9 and it is working for us, and it's got it's
- 22 part in the remediation plan or the scheme of things
- 23 for cleaning up the site. But even that, it
- 24 wouldn't do the job by itself. Site 9 is fabulously
- 25 contaminated and complex on top of that.

1 On the back of your handout under 4,

- 2 which is the Full-Scale System Modifications, and
- 3 the bold print is Italicized, you'll notice that
- 4 we've been doing very well since February 13, 2003.
- 5 45,000 pounds have been removed, and it's not even
- 6 the end of the month. It's really working.
- 7 Some of the very heavy fuel products
- 8 out there that will hardly flow through a tube, let
- 9 alone a metal well, once the steam hits them, it
- 10 just flows like water. So we're able to recover
- 11 that stuff. We're doing quite well with those
- 12 things, also, and we're still recovering stuff.
- We did have some problems, though, I
- 14 need to tell you about that may not be on here. We
- 15 had a boiler that came very close to exploding. It
- 16 was rupturing, and it was caught, so it was taken
- 17 out of service. And one of the other boilers that
- 18 was being used to heat up the steam was moved over
- 19 here to this other site, and the site it went to was
- 20 for the process of regenerating the carbon. We run
- 21 our contaminated material through this carbon, and
- 22 the carbon picks out all of the chlorinated
- 23 solvents. It grabs it, and we have to regenerate it
- 24 periodically.
- 25 So that boiler was on the way out. We

- 1 replaced it, and now we've got another boiler, I
- 2 believe, in the well field to provide steam.
- We've had several little problems, but
- 4 we're working our way through it, and this was just
- 5 one more problem. We've had many problems at this
- 6 site. Any time you have a horribly complex site and
- 7 need very complex machinery, you're going to have
- 8 problems.
- 9 But we've gotten through it. And,
- 10 hopefully, this summer we'll be out there with
- 11 full-scale steam and it will be real interesting.
- 12 That's it unless you have questions.
- 13 Thanks.
- MR. LOCKE: Our next presenter is Dan
- 15 Cordero. He's going to talk about DTSC's role in
- 16 the cleanup process.
- 17 MR. CORDERO: Hello everybody. Again, I'm
- 18 Dan Cordero, Jr. I'm with the Department of Toxic
- 19 Substances Control, Office of Military Facilities,
- 20 project manager for Naval Air Station North Island.
- 21 We're the primary regulatory agency in charge of
- 22 environmental cleanup here on North island, along
- 23 with the water board -- Regional Water Quality
- 24 Control Board. They're our co-leaders.
- 25 This small presentation -- I'm just

- 1 throwing this in -- it was brought about because of
- 2 the Community Relations Plan that was put together.
- 3 And one of the odd things that came out of the
- 4 Community Relations Plan was that after all of these
- 5 years of work that's gone on on North island, the
- 6 community basically said, "Well, what do you do,
- 7 DTSC? What are you doing here and what's your
- 8 role?"
- 9 And as Bill mentioned, those that are
- 10 interested have stayed, and thank you for staying,
- 11 and those that are not have left. But I'll attempt
- 12 to answer those questions with this small
- 13 presentation.
- In 1991, I believe, the governor of
- 15 California formed the California Environmental
- 16 Protection Agency to bring all the environmental
- 17 regulatory agencies under one umbrella. That
- 18 includes us, the Air Resources Board, Department of
- 19 Pesticide Regulation, Integrated Waste Management
- 20 Board, State Water Resources Control Board, Office
- 21 of Environmental Health Hazard Assessment which is
- 22 now a smaller portion of us.
- The Department of Toxic Substances
- 24 Control's mission statement -- this is our actual
- 25 Mission Statement right off our Web page -- "To

- 1 restore, protect and enhance the environment, to
- 2 ensure public health, environmental quality and
- 3 economic vitality, by regulating hazardous waste,
- 4 conducting and overseeing cleanups, and developing
- 5 and promoting pollution prevention."
- 6 The Office of Military Facilities, the
- 7 group I work for, was created in 1993 within the
- 8 Site Mitigation Program under the CERCLA
- 9 regulations. We oversee the investigation and
- 10 remediation of hazardous substance contamination at
- 11 operational and closing military bases in
- 12 California. And we also facilitate the reuse of
- 13 closing military bases.
- 14 This is the DTSC project team, the
- 15 main participants that you will probably see over
- 16 and over on many different documents and comment
- 17 letters. Myself, what we call our support staff
- 18 because everything they put together comes through
- 19 me.
- 20 The Public Participation Specialist is
- 21 Leticia Hernandez. She's here at our meetings
- 22 always, and she's always willing to hear any
- 23 comments you guys have if you don't trust me.
- 24 Our geologists, Theodore Johnson from
- 25 the Cypress office and Maria McCrink from our

- 1 Sacramento office, also chimes in because of the
- 2 volume of work here at North Island.
- 3 Our toxicologist, Jim Polosini. He
- 4 also will assess whether or not the level of
- 5 contamination affects employees or what will be
- 6 removed is going to be safe for either residential
- 7 or industrial standards -- risk analysis.
- 8 We also have a couple of engineers
- 9 that work out of the Cypress office and they are
- 10 Amit Tathik and Ram Ramanajam.
- In 1999 DTSC and the Navy signed a
- 12 Federal Facilities Site Remediation Agreement. It
- 13 ensures environmental impacts are addressed on the
- 14 island, coordinates the Navy's cleanup obligations
- 15 under federal and state law, and provides for state
- 16 review and approval of schedules, documents and
- 17 cleanup actions. It has very tight timelines and
- 18 schedules. We try very hard to meet them for review
- 19 periods. And a lot of times I can say I cannot meet
- 20 them. So it's a good thing the Navy's very good to
- 21 work with on these.
- DTSC's role and responsibilities.
- 23 The Department of Toxic Substances Control and the
- 24 Regional Water Quality Control Board share the lead
- 25 in the regulatory oversight of North Island Naval

- 1 Air Station cleanup duties here. The Water Board
- 2 concentrates more on groundwater, water issues, and
- 3 strictly fuels and oil contaminations; and we
- 4 concentrate more on the hazardous substances and
- 5 hazardous materials.
- 6 They chime in on many of our projects
- 7 as well as we do on theirs because a lot of the
- 8 projects are intermixed, the two types.
- 9 We enforce the Federal Facilities
- 10 Site Remediation Agreement. There's a formal
- 11 dispute process that's allowed in that document that
- 12 can be followed if the Navy and the Department
- 13 cannot come to a formal agreement.
- 14 And we ensure the protection of human
- 15 health and the environment. That's our primary
- 16 goal -- the Department's goal. And that goes for
- 17 both human and the little critters in the bay.
- 18 Everything. We do the best job that we can.
- We ensure the community is kept
- 20 informed and involved in the decision-making
- 21 process. Tonight was a good example of that
- 22 decision-making process.
- 23 And the contact for Naval Air Station
- 24 North Island is myself or Leticia at either the
- 25 phone numbers or the e-mail addresses or if you want

1 more information about DTSC, we have our own Web

- 2 site as well as the California Environmental
- 3 Protection Agency has their own Web site.
- 4 So all of our information is open for
- 5 public viewing. If you want our main man thing,
- 6 just go to our Web site and it's right there and you
- 7 can give his office a call straightaway.
- 8 Thank you.
- 9 MR. VAN ROOY: Where are your offices
- 10 physically located?
- MR. CORDERO: Our headquarters is in
- 12 Sacramento, California. We have branch offices
- 13 in -- well, another branch office there in
- 14 Sacramento and Cypress, Berkeley. We also have a
- 15 small office here in San Diego now that concentrates
- 16 more on the border unit -- the truck inspections of
- 17 hazardous material and the wastes coming back to the
- 18 United States. We have one in Clovis -- Glendale
- 19 and Clovis, also. So we're --
- MS. HERNANDEZ: But we're stationed out of
- 21 Cypress.
- MR. CORDERO: We're stationed out of
- 23 Cypress.
- MR. VAN ROOY: Oh, okay. Thanks.
- MR. CORDERO: Any other questions? Thank

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- 1 you.
- 2 MR. LOCKE: Thanks, Dan.
- 3 Bob Geilenfeldt has some update on the
- 4 Flower Show for, I believe, it's April.
- 5 MR. GEILENFELDT: Thanks, John.
- 6 As you know, the Coronado Flower Show
- 7 is every year, and this particular year it's going
- 8 to be Saturday and Sunday, April 26th and 27th. My
- 9 briefcase is over there, so I'm going by memory. I
- 10 lost it in the shuffle around here.
- 11 I have been in conversation with all
- 12 of the people at the Flower Show. There's a new
- 13 lady in charge of group assignments. Her name is
- 14 Sandy Arndt.
- They have a new program this year.
- 16 Booths will be assigned. There will be no last
- 17 minute run in there like we got into last year. I
- 18 told her we would like -- all of the public service,
- 19 public information booths will be on the left-hand
- 20 side as you walk in the door. If you recall, we
- 21 were over on the other side next to the Red Cross
- 22 where the exit was.
- Now all of the public information,
- 24 such as us, will be on the opposite side where we
- 25 were the year before. I asked her for that corner

1 one. She wouldn't commit to that, but she said we

- 2 would have one of those five booths. I think it's
- 3 going to be very prudent to be there on Friday and
- 4 shake hands and pay dues and do some talking to get
- 5 the right booth is what it's going to boil down to.
- 6 I'll take care of that.
- 7 So we need a commitment from all of
- 8 you great volunteers for this year to participate in
- 9 manning the booth. We also need a commitment from
- 10 the Navy to be assured that we're going to have the
- 11 display that we've had that attracts so much
- 12 attention.
- MR. COLLINS: We have the display. We are
- 14 scheduled for that.
- MR. GEILENFELDT: And they know about
- 16 those dates.
- 17 MR. COLLINS: I believe so.
- 18 MR. LOCKE: She actually e-mailed me about
- 19 two months ago asking --
- MR. GEILENFELDT: Oh, she did.
- 21 MR. LOCKE: Yeah. And I wrote her back
- 22 and told her the dates.
- MR. GEILENFELDT: We're cool.
- 24 And then, obviously, we need
- 25 individuals there to man the booths. Foster's

- 1 always been very good to show up.
- DR. MARSHALL: Not this year.
- 3 MR. GEILENFELDT: Don't say that, Foster.
- We have the three Coronadoans, so to
- 5 speak, that -- Foster, you, and I are the only ones.
- 6 We rely on the Navy and DTSC and Leticia always
- 7 shows up. We appreciate that. Dan, if he can get
- 8 here, does show up. And we have the staff who
- 9 brings the equipment and whatnot. The Navy's been
- 10 very good about providing this information, and the
- 11 display is an eye catcher. I don't care how many
- 12 years we use it, that is an eye catcher display.
- MR. LOCKE: And we've got plenty of Navy
- 14 staff that are happy to come.
- MR. GEILENFELDT: So we can count on two.
- MR. COLLINS: I'll be there both days.
- MR. CORDERO: Just a quick input from us
- 18 over here. With the state going through its fiscal
- 19 crisis --
- MR. GEILENFELDT: The cut downs.
- MR. CORDERO: The cut downs, which
- 22 shouldn't be affecting our project here on North
- 23 Island, but it is and will.
- 24 It would really help if the Navy --
- 25 even yourself, Bob -- would send an e-mail to myself

1 or Leticia requesting our presence. If you request

- 2 our presence, we can send that forward to our
- 3 bosses. We can't make a commitment now, but we can
- 4 say that it would help because they are prioritizing
- 5 now, and that depends on what the demand is.
- 6 MR. GEILENFELDT: We have had exceptional
- 7 interest at this Flower Show booth. Unfortunately,
- 8 after all that work, we had an outstanding -- I
- 9 thought an excellent attendance at the tour, and
- 10 I've been calling people for this meeting, and all
- 11 of them said, "Well, I don't have time to attend a
- 12 meeting, but I'd sure like to go on that tour
- 13 again."
- MR. LOCKE: We had considerable attendance
- 15 after the next meeting.
- MR. GEILENFELDT: And then it goes kaput.
- 17 MR. LOCKE: I don't think it was their cup
- 18 of tea.
- MR. GEILENFELDT: Well, some of them told
- 20 me that. In fact, I called about ten people besides
- 21 all this -- you know, all the old membership lists
- 22 that we had from the last meeting, I called several
- 23 of these people and two of them said that. They
- 24 said, you know, "This is over my head. I don't
- 25 understand what's going on." And they were quite

1 honest about it. So that could be part of the

- 2 scenario here.
- 3 MR. SAUNDERS: That's normal when people
- 4 haven't heard the terminology.
- 5 MS. HERNANDEZ: So what do you think it
- 6 is? Do you think it's the terminology?
- 7 MR. GEILENFELDT: We try to stimulate
- 8 their interest, but when they come, I think -- well,
- 9 the first time I came to one of these meetings, it
- 10 was a little over my head. It was like "What am I
- 11 doing here?" type scenario.
- MS. HERNANDEZ: I know some people made
- 13 comments on the fact sheet that it was --
- 14 MR. GEILENFELDT: We've been doing better
- 15 with Rich and Mark. These presentations should be
- 16 laymen's level. I just think people don't realize
- 17 what the technicalities are in the terminology for
- 18 the presentations, and they just don't have any
- 19 interest in this sort of thing.
- MS. HERNANDEZ: And based on that, we made
- 21 the proposal to scale down on the number of
- 22 meetings.
- 23 MR. GEILENFELDT: That's right. And I'm
- 24 not opposed to that.
- 25 I'm just saying we had what we thought

1 was outstanding success but it turned out to be very

- 2 short term success. We may have that same scenario
- 3 this time.
- 4 MR. PERRY: Maybe in future meetings right
- 5 after the next meeting following the Flower Show
- 6 where we're actually bringing in new people, we
- 7 could maybe start out with more of a discussion on
- 8 what we do, just to lay it out to the people that
- 9 are new exactly what -- they might be wondering --
- 10 you know, we've sort of been talking about it at the
- 11 Flower Show, but it's very concise. They're not
- 12 necessarily getting a whole lot of information
- 13 there.
- MR. LOCKE: Good idea.
- MR. GEILENFELDT: Two of those very
- 16 attractive young ladies that you talked into coming
- 17 did come to the program, and I did talk to them, and
- 18 one of them I was able to reach. The other one was
- 19 an answering machine. But she said the same thing,
- 20 it was just over her head was her conclusionary
- 21 answer. So we need you to take care of these young
- 22 ladies.
- Other than that, I hope you feel that
- 24 this is a worthwhile effort. I still feel that we
- 25 need to get the word out, and if they're not going

1 to come to our meetings, maybe this is our only

- 2 solution.
- 3 MR. LOCKE: It's our largest point of
- 4 contact for the community.
- 5 MR. GEILENFELDT: It is. Plus the tour.
- 6 Again, all these conversations I had trying to get
- 7 people to come to a meeting, the tour was what they
- 8 were talking about. So we need to address that
- 9 again this year if we can. We can probably bring
- 10 that up at the Coronado Flower Show and use that as
- 11 an enticement to get names and whatnot.
- MR. LOCKE: Should we get a tour date
- 13 before we go into the Flower Show?
- MR. COLLINS: We can do that.
- MR. LOCKE: We can talk about that later.
- MR. COLLINS: We'll have a proposed tour
- 17 date before the Flower Show so that we can talk
- 18 about it.
- MR. GEILENFELDT: Okay. Good. Then we'll
- 20 discuss it before the Flower Show, and I'll keep you
- 21 posted on the progress on the booth. I don't see
- 22 any problem with the booth. I just want to make
- 23 sure that we get a good pick of those booths.
- MR. LOCKE: Are we going to get Navy
- 25 computers at the booth?

- 1 MR. COLLINS: Navy computers?
- 2 MR. GEILENFELDT: We're not going to have
- 3 that computer arrangement thing. I didn't see much
- 4 acceptance with that computer Web page.
- 5 MR. LOCKE: Yeah.
- 6 MR. GEILENFELDT: I didn't see much
- 7 acceptance or much interest in that. I don't know.
- 8 Tell me what you think. Is that something that
- 9 we --
- 10 MR. LOCKE: There hasn't been a lot of
- 11 interest. Lee's Web page seems to be the standard.
- MR. GEILENFELDT: So we won't get into
- 13 that this year.
- MR. COLLINS: No.
- MR. GEILENFELDT: We won't need any
- 16 electrical coverage or anything like that.
- MR. LOCKE: No. No.
- MR. GEILENFELDT: That's all I have this
- 19 evening.
- 20 MR. LOCKE: Next on the agenda is items
- 21 for the next meeting.
- MR. GEILENFELDT: Let me give you the
- 23 hours on this before we close. I have it over there
- 24 in my briefcase.
- MR. COLLINS: Agenda items for the next

- 1 meeting: Certainly another Site 9 update. A Site
- 2 10 update for sure. A Site 5 update. Maybe we'll
- 3 know how close we are to actually having achieved
- 4 our objective.
- 5 MR. LOCKE: The next meeting will be after
- 6 the Flower Show so we can have a report. And we can
- 7 have what Charles suggested like an overview of our
- 8 process that we're trying to do.
- 9 MR. CORDERO: And I also spoke to Nicole
- 10 about possibly giving a CEQA presentation about the
- 11 whole CEQA process, everything they go through.
- MR. COLLINS: That's going to take a long
- 13 time. So if we do that, we'll just go shorter on
- 14 some of these others.
- MR. CORDERO: Okay. And that's not 100
- 16 percent, but I'll talk to her again.
- DR. MARSHALL: You made a comment that the
- 18 next meeting is after the Flower Show. You realize
- 19 that's September after the Flower Show.
- MR. GEILENFELDT: August.
- DR. MARSHALL: It's September. I'm
- 22 reading the minutes. We start our six-month cycle
- 23 after tonight's meeting.
- MR. GEILENFELDT: When in September? Did
- 25 we decide on that?

1 MR. COLLINS: Well, it's usually the third

- 2 Thursday.
- 3 MR. GEILENFELDT: So the third Thursday in
- 4 September.
- 5 MR. COLLINS: September 18th.
- 6 MR. LOCKE: So the tour will be before the
- 7 next meeting, also.
- 8 MR. GEILENFELDT: So our next meeting will
- 9 be September 18th, our regular RAB meeting.
- 10 MR. LOCKE: Right.
- 11 MR. GEILENFELDT: In the interim between
- 12 now and September will be the Flower Show and the
- 13 tour.
- DR. MARSHALL: Now, we did say that we
- 15 could call a meeting any time we wanted to if we
- 16 felt it was necessary.
- MR. COLLINS: If we have to, yes.
- MR. VAN ROOY: The dates on the Flower
- 19 Show again?
- MR. GEILENFELDT: April 26th, on a
- 21 Saturday, and April 27th, on a Sunday. And the
- 22 hours on Saturday, April 26th, will be 1:00 to 5:30
- 23 in the afternoon. It's only a half day on Saturday.
- 24 Sunday it's all day, so to speak, from 10:00 a.m. to
- 25 4:00 p.m. It's a six-hour Flower Show.

1 We had inclimate weather, if you

- 2 recall, on Saturday last year, and Sunday was pretty
- 3 good. They moved this up a couple of weeks
- 4 purposely for that, hoping to offset the weather
- 5 condition.
- 6 MR. LOCKE: I think we've covered
- 7 everything. Does anybody have any questions or
- 8 comments?
- 9 MR. GEILENFELDT: I want to thank all of
- 10 you for persevering in this situation this evening.
- 11 I passed the word -- I gave the word to Dick Scharff
- 12 and Marilyn, and obviously they contacted other
- 13 people, so we had a lively group. We had an
- 14 extremely large turnout that I did not anticipate.
- 15 I still think it's good to get this input, even
- 16 though some of it may not be productive at times.
- I need to commend Mark and Rich with
- 18 their presentations, after all they've gone through
- 19 to prepare this, because I know they do a very
- 20 professional job.
- 21 MR. LOCKE: They did a very good job.
- 22 They were both on the hot plate.
- MR. GEILENFELDT: And like Foster said,
- 24 these people don't come to the regular meetings.
- 25 They don't participate. We're the ones that do the

1 work, so to speak, and then when something like

- 2 trucking comes up, we get violence -- not
- 3 violence -- but we get agitation, I guess.
- 4 I was even surprised to see City
- 5 Councilman Casey Tanaka here. I had no idea.
- 6 Somebody must have invited him. Of course, I knew
- 7 Dick Scharff was coming because Bill and I had
- 8 talked about that. He was the first one I contacted
- 9 because he's involved in that Third and Fourth
- 10 Street corridor.
- 11 MS. HERNANDEZ: I know a lot of the
- 12 individuals said that they received the fact sheet
- 13 but it had been published in the newspaper.
- MR. GEILENFELDT: And that's why I was
- 15 trying to -- and Foster didn't know that. That's
- 16 what I was trying to clarify to Foster that it was
- 17 in the last week's -- the first actual publication
- 18 of the 6:00 meeting was in the last week's "Eagle."
- 19 And that's why I was telling Dick Scharff that we're
- 20 going to have two meetings. We're going to have the
- 21 regular RAB meeting which Foster and I usually come
- 22 to at 6:30, and we were also going to have this
- 23 meeting preceding that at 6:00.
- 24 And that's what everybody was not
- 25 aware of, nor was Foster. I wasn't even aware of it

1	till last week. In fact, you're the one that told
2	me it was going to be in the paper when I talked to
3	you about it.
4	MR. LOCKE: It was also in the "Union
5	Tribune."
6	MR. GEILENFELDT: At any rate, these
7	situations with traffic on Coronado, believe me,
8	this is not just an issue that we're talking about
9	tonight. It's ongoing. It's a political football
10	on Coronado. It has been and it will be in the
11	future. You just need to deal with it accordingly.
12	MR. LOCKE: That's it. The meeting's
13	adjourned.
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15	(Whereupon, at 7:55 p.m. the RAB meeting
16	was adjourned.)
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